

**1618. Adulteration of ginger root. U. S. v. 21 Bags of Ginger Root. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14871. Sample No. 98809-F.)**

**LIBEL FILED:** January 2, 1945, Southern District of Illinois.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about July 20, 1944, by S. H. Ewing, Ltd., from Montreal, Can.

**PRODUCT:** 21 100-pound bags of *ginger root* at Peoria, Ill. Examination disclosed that the article was contaminated with insect excreta and live insects. The United States Pharmacopoeia provides that "Vegetable \* \* \* drugs are to be substantially free from insects or other animal life, extraneous animal material, or animal excreta."

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (b), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug the name of which is recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia, an official compendium, but its quality and purity fell below the standard set forth therein.

**DISPOSITION:** May 24, 1945. Allaire, Woodward and Co., Peoria, Ill., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

**1619. Adulteration of wild cherry bark. U. S. v. 15 Bags of Wild Cherry Bark. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14873. Sample No. 98812-F.)**

**LIBEL FILED:** January 2, 1945, Southern District of Illinois.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about May 11, 1944, by the Greer Drug Co., from Lenoir, N. C.

**PRODUCT:** 15 130-pound bags of *wild cherry bark* at Peoria, Ill. Examination showed that the product was contaminated with insects, insect fragments, rodent hairs, and feather fragments. The United States Pharmacopoeia provides that "Vegetable \* \* \* drugs are to be substantially free from insects or other animal life, extraneous animal material, or animal excreta."

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (b), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug the name of which is recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia, an official compendium, but its quality and purity fell below the official standard.

**DISPOSITION:** May 24, 1945. Allaire, Woodward and Co., Peoria, Ill., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

**1620. Adulteration of valerian root. U. S. v. 36 Bags of Valerian Root. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 15843. Sample No. 22428-H.)**

**LIBEL FILED:** April 3, 1945, Southern District of Illinois.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about October 5, 1944, from New York, N. Y., by the Kachurin Drug Co.

**PRODUCT:** 36 40-pound bags of *valerian root* at Peoria, Ill. Examination showed that the product consisted of Indian valerian mixed with approximately 10 percent of foreign organic matter, whereas the National Formulary provides that valerian shall contain not more than 4 percent of foreign organic matter.

**LABEL, IN PART:** "Valerian Root Ind."

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (b), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug the name of which is recognized in the National Formulary, an official compendium, but its purity fell below the official standard.

**DISPOSITION:** May 24, 1945. Allaire, Woodward and Co., Peoria, Ill., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

**1621. Adulteration of dandelion root. U. S. v. 14 Bags of Dandelion Root (and 2 other seizure actions against dandelion root). Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. Nos. 15796 to 15798, incl. Sample Nos. 5949-H, 5950-H.)**

**LIBELS FILED:** April 6, 1945, Eastern District of New York.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about December 23, 1940, and June 18, 1941, from Argentina and Russia.

**PRODUCT:** 67 bags and 6 barrels of *dandelion root* at Brooklyn, N. Y.

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (b), the article purported to be a drug the name of which is recognized in the National Formulary, an official compendium, but its quality and purity fell below the official standard, which provides that vegetable drugs are to be as free as practicable from molds, insects, or other animal life, and animal excreta, and shall show no evidence of deterioration. The article was badly worm-bored and contained live and dead insects, and insect excreta, and a portion was contaminated with mold.

**DISPOSITION:** June 27, 1945. The Kachurin Drug Co., New York, N. Y., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libels, and the cases having been consolidated, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond, conditioned that it be fumigated and cleaned and the unfit portion destroyed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

**1622. Adulteration of lubricating jelly. U. S. v. 11 Dozen Tubes and 9½ Dozen Tubes of Lubricating Jelly. Default decrees of condemnation and destruction.** (F. D. C. Nos. 15674, 15743. Sample Nos. 9325-H, 11444-H.)

**LIBELS FILED:** On or about March 24, 1945, Northern District of New York and District of Connecticut.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about February 6 and 7, 1945, by the McNeil Laboratories, Philadelphia, Pa.

**PRODUCT:** 11 dozen tubes of *lubricating jelly* at Ithaca, N. Y., and 9½ dozen tubes of the same product at Norwich, Conn. Examination showed that the article was not sterile but was contaminated with living micro-organisms.

**LABEL, IN PART:** "Tube Lubricant A Sterile \* \* \* Jelly."

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (c), the purity and quality of the article fell below that which it purported and was represented to possess.

**DISPOSITION:** May 7 and 28, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

**1623. Adulteration and misbranding of absorbent cotton. U. S. v. 94 Cartons of Absorbent Cotton. Default decree providing for destruction of the product or its delivery to a charitable institution.** (F. D. C. No. 15460. Sample No. 13930-H.)

**LABEL FILED:** March 5, 1945, District of Minnesota.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about January 12, 1945, by the American White Cross Laboratories, Inc., Cape Girardeau, Mo.

**PRODUCT:** 94 1-pound cartons of *absorbent cotton* at Minneapolis, Minn. Examination showed that the product was not sterile but was contaminated with living micro-organisms.

**LABEL, IN PART:** "U. S. P. Physicians and Surgeons Absorbent Cotton."

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (b), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug the name of which is recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia, an official compendium, but its quality and purity fell below the official standard in that it was not sterile.

Misbranding, Section 502 (a), the statements on the cartons, "U. S. P. Physicians and Surgeons Absorbent Cotton Sterilized after Packaging \* \* \* Surgical Quality Hospital Quality \* \* \* Manufactured and packed under \* \* \* sanitary conditions. Sterilized after packaging," were false and misleading as applied to the article, which was not sterile.

**DISPOSITION:** May 15, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment was entered ordering that the product be destroyed or delivered to a charitable institution.

**1624. Adulteration and misbranding of adhesive compresses and adhesive bandages. U. S. v. 30 Cases of Adhesive Compresses (and 2 seizure actions against adhesive bandages). Default decrees of condemnation and destruction.** (F. D. C. Nos. 14649, 14801, 15060. Sample Nos. 54670-F, 79769-F, 79770-F, 88677-F.)

**LIBELS FILED:** December 15, 1944, and January 4 and 17, 1945, Northern District of West Virginia, Northern District of Illinois, and District of Maine.